

Summary View of Underwater Towed Video Imaging Survey Technique



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	Application	Coverage	Vertical	Horizontal	Image	Key Points
	Benthic Imagery	Narrow Swath	m	m	cm	Benthic Image, geo-referenced digital images or video Impacted by water clarity, limited coverage Interpretation of video data can be a labor-and time-intensive effort Variable complexity and cost for acquisition and processing

Data Collection¹ Raw Data^{1, 2} Processed Data¹



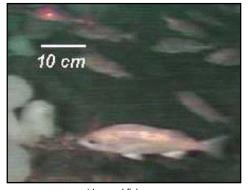
ROV Video System being deployed from the USACE Vessel GELBERMAN during biological assessment survey at Ambrose Shoal.



Towed video sled deployed by CR Environmental.

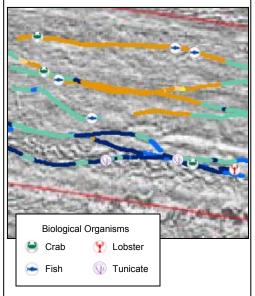


feather stars, basket stars, sea cucumber



widow rockfish

Video of the seafloor surface allows for sediment and biological characterization. Water clarity can be a factor.



Biological characterization of the seafloor based on towed video data in Boston Harbor, 2002.

¹Data collection, raw data, and processed data examples and images provided by SAIC.

²Some raw data images from NOAA (http://oceanexplorer.noaa.gov/).